



**GUAM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**  
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### **Atalig named Guam Young Professional of the Year**

HAGÁTÑA - The Guam Chamber of Commerce announced **Ignacia S. Atalig**, Vice President and Guam Business Banking Manager of Bank of Hawaii, **Guam Young Professional of the Year** at *The Event of the Year* on Friday, January 14th, hosted by the Guam Young Professionals, a committee of the Guam Chamber of Commerce, at the Fiesta Resort Guam in Tumon. *“The Chamber is pleased to present its first ever **Guam Young Professional of the Year Award** honoring an individual who exemplifies professionalism and integrity in all aspects of her life, from the office to the community, Nacia, is the roll model of a young professional on Guam,”* said Chamber President, David Leddy.

*“Nacia has been a very active member of the Guam Young Professionals (GYP),”* said GYP Chairman, Jay Rojas. *“She is a charter member of the Committee who drafted the organization’s by-laws. She’s participated as a speaker in workshops the GYP has sponsored for University of Guam college students, she’s conducted several seminars for the Bank of Hawaii, Sanctuary and the Small Business Committee of the Guam Chamber of Commerce. She has also helped the group in several of our beautification efforts.”*

Ms. Atalig is a recipient of the Step Up to Excellence Annual Award from the Bank of Hawaii and a recipient of the U.S. Small Business Administration’s Lender of the Year in 2006. She is an active member of the Chamber’s Small Business Focus & Development Committee and is a recent retiree of the Guam Young Professionals. In her position with Bank of Hawaii she oversees business transactions and loan requests, supervises a team of business banking officers and promotes the U.S. SBA’s guaranty program for underserved segments in the Guam community.

President Leddy added *“The Chamber would like to recognize each of the nominees and their respective businesses, as they are deserving of this esteemed recognition:*

*Beatrice P. Limtiaco, President & Owner, Guam Cornerstone Guam;*

*Joaquin L.G. Cook, Vice President & Upper Tumon Branch Manager, Bank of Guam; and*

*Erika Garrido, Toyota Rental Car Manager, Atkins Kroll Guam.*

*We would like to encourage other young business professionals in the community to consider membership with the Guam Young Professionals for the various opportunities for growth and enrichment.”*

For more information about the Guam Young Professionals, please visit their web site:  
GuamYoungProfessionals.com or contact the Guam Chamber of Commerce: GuamChamber.com.gu or  
email either: gyp@guamchamber.com.gu or info@guamchamber.com.gu.

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Photo Attachment

*Caption: Ignacia S. Atalig was recognized as Guam Young Professional of the Year on January 14, 2011 at the Guam Young Professionals' Event of the Year held at the Fiesta Resort Guam. Pictured Left to Right: Jay Rojas, Chairman, Guam Young Professionals, Ms. Atalig, and David P. Leddy, President, Guam Chamber of Commerce.*